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Appointment of three members of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Note by the Secretary-General

1. On 20 February 1998, the Secretary-General sent a note verbale to all Member States informing them that the Economic and Social Council, at its resumed organizational session for 1998, would be called upon to appoint three members to serve on the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW), when the term of office of three members expired on 30 June 1998. In the same note verbale, the Secretary-General requested Governments to submit the names and curricula vitae of candidates not later than 31 March 1998.

2. Under the provisions of the statute of the Institute, the Board of Trustees is composed of 11 members nominated by States and appointed by the Economic and Social Council, with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution. Members of the Board serve in their individual capacities for a term of three years from the date of appointment. They are eligible for reappointment by the Council for one further term. The current membership of the Board is given in annex I below.

3. At its first regular session of 1983, the Economic and Social Council, on the proposal of the President, decided to maintain the existing de facto geographical balance of the Board without prejudice to any further decision the Council might wish to take with regard to the composition of the Board and the distribution of seats on it (see E/1983/SR.13). Accordingly, in order to maintain the existing geographical balance, the vacancies should be filled by the appointment of one member from the three regional groups concerned.

4. The candidates listed below were nominated by their Governments in response to the Secretary-General's note verbale. Biographical information on the candidates is contained in annex II below.

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African States

Mamosebi Theresia Pholo (Lesotho)

Jacob Félicien Andriampanjava (Madagascar)

Sheila Bunwaree-Ramharai (Mauritius)

Neddy Rita Matshalaga (Zimbabwe)

Western European and other States

Ana María Braga da Cruz (Portugal)

Cecilia Valcárcel Alcázar (Spain)

Latin American and Caribbean States

Esther María Ashton (Bolivia)*

* Member of the Board of Trustees from 1995 to 1998, therefore eligible for a second term.

Annex I

Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Membership from 1 July 1997

	Term expires on 30 June
Selma Acuner (Turkey)	2000
Ihsan Abdalla Algabshawi (Sudan)*	1998
Esther María Ashton (Bolivia)*	1998
Zakia Amara Bouaziz (Tunisia)	2000
Maria Jonas (Austria)	1999
Noëlie Kangoye (Burkina Faso)	1999
Mona Chemali Khalaf (Lebanon)	1999
Norica Nicolai (Romania)	2000
Els Postel-Coster (Netherlands)*	1998
Glenda P. Simms (Jamaica)	2000
Amaryllis T. Torres (Philippines)	2000

* Retiring member.

Annex II

Biographical information on candidates for appointment to the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Esther María Ashton (Bolivia). A career diplomat, has held the position of Chargé d'affaires of Bolivia to Denmark. Has held several prominent official positions, such as Counsellor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Director for the North American Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bolivia. Counsellor to the Permanent Mission of Bolivia to the United Nations; delegate to the Third Committee of the General Assembly and the Second Committee of the Economic and Social Council; has acted as Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee of the Economic and Social Council. Official delegate to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and UNICEF representative at the Joint Meeting of UNICEF/World Health Organization in Geneva. Member of the delegation of Bolivia to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, Vienna, and to the Plenipotentiary Conference that adopted the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances.

Mamosebi Theresia Pholo (Lesotho). Chief Executive and Corporate Secretary of the Water and Sewerage Authority. Has held the positions of Crown Counsel at the Civil Section of Law Offices, Public Prosecutor, Interpreter and Clerk of Court. Has participated in international training events dealing with such issues as gender training of trainers, international law and women's rights, research methods, data collection and report writing, gender in developing countries, violence against women, and the Fourth World Conference on Women. Has presented papers on violence against women, women's rights, "Femicide" in Southern Africa and women and the environment. Member of several societies dedicated to law, women and development and women's political empowerment. Has been appointed as Commissioner on the Law Reform Commission in Lesotho. Member of the Advisory Committee for Privatization Unit and of the National Task Force for the Drafting of Lesotho's Gender Policy. Coordinator of the Review of Minority Status of Women and Lesotho's initial report to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

Jacob Félicien Andriampanjava (Madagascar). Director of Social Status, Ministry of Population and Solidarity. Has participated in numerous seminars, colloquiums and conferences dealing with social development, national reports on women, national policy on population, population and development, promotion of the socio-economic development of disabled young people, sustainable development and poverty. Has published research on such themes as tourism, urban problems, regional development and sea and coastal environment. Consultant to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) concerning social development, economic planning and regional development and to the World Bank on a geographical-historical study on Madagascar. Has served as Director of numerous projects dealing with population, social development, social recovery, economic integration of the disabled, urban services for children. Member of the Administration Board of UNDP/United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in Tunis and Lebanon.

Sheila Bunwaree-Ramharai (Mauritius). Professor of sociology at the University of Mauritius. Lecturer on several areas of sociology having a large gender component. Supervisor of doctoral theses and undergraduate dissertations on gender-related topics. Consultant to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)/Ministry of Social Security on social development, focusing on gender and on the National Plan of Action.

Resource person for the Ministry of Women's Rights, the Ministry of Urban and Rural Development and the Ministry of Social Security. Chairperson of the Youth Research Unit for the Ministry of Youth and Sports, liaising with the Gender and Youth Division of the Commonwealth Secretariat, London. Representative of the University of Mauritius to the National Steering Committee for the World Summit for Social Development and member of the official delegation attending the Summit. Working member and Secretary of the group that prepared the National Long-term Perspective Study sponsored by the Ministry of Economic Planning and Development and UNDP. Appointed Special Delegate to the ministerial meeting entitled "Forum for African Women Educationalists". Has published numerous studies related to gender, education, the economy, social exclusion, the marginalization of girls, sustainable development, ethnic schisms and economic nationalism, globalization, social science and development, human resources and women and the construction of the future.

Ana María Braga da Cruz (Portugal). Chief Adviser to the Commission for the Equality and Rights of Women, Northern Division, in charge of several functions: developing methodologies for the investigation and implementation of programmes; advising women's groups on questions related to the status of women; developing female-run market-oriented projects in rural areas; providing legal advice and psychological counselling; making contacts with women's groups and associations; coordinating training projects on cooperative and professional capacity-building, on professional management, on marketing of local crafts and on women migrants. Adviser to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on a mission for the organization of women of Mozambique. Adviser to UNFPA on a project evaluation mission to Guinea-Bissau and a fact-finding mission to Angola, Malawi and Zimbabwe. Adviser to UNDP on a consultative mission to Cape Verde to create an institute on the status of women, and to the European Anti-Poverty League to assist the Cape Verde Government in a poverty-fighting programme. Trainer in projects dealing with women in rural areas, security, health and social services; involved in the evaluation of projects coordinated by non-governmental organizations, a volunteer telephone counselling service for the prevention of suicide and the organization of seminars and colloquiums. Member of the Board of Directors of the Portuguese Branch of the European Anti-Poverty League, the Association of Female Lawyers and the Association of Migrating Women. Founder-President of the Association of Maternal Health and founding member of the Portuguese Association for the Study of Women.

Cecilia Valcárcel Alcázar (Spain). Adviser to the University Institute for Women of the Autonomous University of Madrid. Consultant to the Gregorio Sánchez Foundation, designing projects aimed at the integration of a gender perspective. Adviser and Documentalist of Editorial Forum, S.A. Has designed and programmed cultural activities for the Móstoles City Hall in central Spain. Consultant and Adviser in equality projects. Has carried out research on issues concerning gender and citizenship, women in Spanish art and Latin American women.

Neddy Rita Matshalaga (Zimbabwe). Research fellow and consultant on Gender and Development Issues, Institute of Development Studies, University of Zimbabwe, contributing to the dissemination of research through the bulletin published by the Institute and other academic journals. Organizes gender training workshops, attends relevant seminars, prepares and presents papers related to gender and development studies and carries out consultancy work for governmental institutions and non-governmental organizations in the field of gender, development and other relevant issues. Has published several papers dealing with gender, urban food security and coping strategies in Zimbabwe, the urban informal sector and urban poverty in Harare, and the impact of structural adjustment on rural communities in Zimbabwe.

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Appointment of members of the Committee for Development Planning

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI) and decision 1997/212 C, the mandate of the present members of the Committee for Development Planning expires on 31 December 1998.

2. In view of the ongoing consultations on the mandates, composition, functions and working methods of the Council's functional commissions and expert groups and bodies, including the Committee for Development Planning, as mandated by the General Assembly in resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B, it is proposed that the nomination of the members of the Committee be deferred pending a decision on the future of the Committee.

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Election to the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In accordance with ECOSOC decision 1996/222, the Secretary-General has received the following nomination from the Government of the Netherlands to the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development: Wilhelmus C. Turkenburg.

2. The term of office would begin on the date of election. Biographical information on the candidate is set out in the annex below.

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Annex

Biographical information on Wilhelmus C. Turkenburg (Netherlands)

Education

1971:	Master of Physics and Mathematics, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
1976:	Doctor of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, University of Amsterdam (thesis: "Surface Layer Analysis by Medium Energy Ion Scattering")

Work experience

1980-1985:	Senior scientist and Assistant Professor, at Utrecht University
1988-present:	Professor of Science, Technology and Society at Utrecht University
1992-1993:	Professor of Environmental Science (part-time) at the Free University of Brussels, Belgium
1997-present:	Member of the Netherlands Council for Housing, Physical Planning and Environment, appointed by the Queen of the Netherlands

Awards

1996:	Greenman Award at the Third Conference on Carbon Dioxide Removal (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). This award is given "to honour important contributions toward harnessing technology so that the human race can better live in harmony with the environment".

Membership

1974-present:	Member and Chairman of the Dutch Energy Policy Research Group
1988-present:	Member of the Environmental Impact Statement Committee of the Netherlands
1989-1991:	Chairman of the 1989 and the 1991 Netherlands Solar Energy Conference
1989-1993:	Member of the Working Group on Renewable Energy Sources of the World Energy Council, and Chairman of the Subcommittee on Wind Energy of the World Energy Council
1990-1992:	Chairman of the Programme Committee of the First International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Removal (ICCDR-I), Amsterdam, March 1992
1992-1994:	Consultant of the World Bank for solar photovoltaics (Global Environment Facility)
1992-1993:	Member of the Scientific Committee of the Second International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Utilization (ICCDU-II), Bari, Italy, September 1993
1993-present:	Member/Vice-Chairman/Rapporteur of the United Nations Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development
1993-1994:	Member of the Programme Committee of the Second International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Removal (ICCDR-II), Kyoto, Japan, October 1994

1993-1994:	Member of the Programme Committee of the International Conference on Climate Change Research, Maastricht, Netherlands, December 1994
1993-1995:	Member/Lead author of the Working Group on Energy Supply Mitigation Options of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPPC)
1994-1995:	Member of the Programme Committee of the Third International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Utilization (ICCDU-III), University of Oklahoma, United States of America, April/May 1995
1997-present:	Member of the Council for Housing, Physical Planning and Environment of the Netherlands
1997:	Rapporteur of the United Nations Expert Workshop entitled "Fostering the Linkage between Energy and Sustainable Development within the International Institutions", Vienna, January 1997
1997-present:	Member of the Programme Committee of the Fourth International Conference on Greenhouse Gas Control Technologies (GHGT-4), Interlaken, Switzerland, August/September 1998
1998:	Scientific Director of the Utrecht Energy Research Centre

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Elections to the Committee on Natural Resources

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The Secretary-General has received the following nominations for election to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Jesús **Martínez Frías** (Spain)

Manuel Carlos **Serrano Pinto** (Portugal)

Carlos G. **Tomboc** (Philippines)

2. Pursuant to Economic and Social Council decision 1996/222, Governments have nominated the following experts to the Committee on Natural Resources:

Owen MacDonald **Kankhulungo** (Malawi)

Hendrik Martinus **Oudshoorn** (Netherlands)

Eddy Kofi **Smith** (Ghana)

3. The terms of office would begin on the date of election. Biographical information is set out in the annex below.

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Annex

Biographical information on nominees to the Committee on Natural Resources

Jesús Martínez Frías (Spain)

Academic background

Ph.D., Geology, Universidad Complutense, Madrid

Current position

Scientific Researcher, Geology department of the Spanish Institute of Advanced Scientific Research

Other qualifications

Member of various Spanish and international scientific societies and associations

Referee of the *Agencia Nacional de Evaluación y Prospectiva*, Spain

Manager of RENAMET, a scientific discussion list of natural resources

Manager of MERGE, a scientific discussion list of meteorites and geological resources of outer space

Member of the *Comité Científico Aseso, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas*, Spain, in the area of natural resources

Publications

"The Hiendelaencina mining district" (1992)

"New data on the Miocene, fumarolic hot spring system of Herrerías" (1993)

"The Fe-Mn-Ag deposit of Las Herrerías" (1993)

"Mine waste pollutes Mediterranean" (1997)

"Modelling of the geothermal processes" (1992)

"*Sulfuros y sulfosales de metales nobles*" (1995)

"*Geología y metalogenia en ambientes oceánicos: depósitos hidrotermales submarinos*" (1995)

In collaboration with others

"The Taganana alkaline intrusions (Tenerife, Canary Islands): first data on their ore minerals" (1993)

"Mercury pollution in the marine environment: a natural venting system in the SW Mediterranean margin" (1998)

International research experience

Earth Science Department, University of Leeds: electron microprobe analyses and computerized image analysis, 1985

Minearologisch – Petrographisches Institut, University of Heidelberg: electron microprobe analyses, 1989

Earth Science Centre, Department of Geology, University of Toronto: neutron activation and electron microprobe analyses, 1993 and 1996

International scientific meetings

Geological Society of America Congress, San Diego, California, 1991

Bicentenario real seminario de minería de México, 1992

Quinto Simposio de Estudios Antárticos, Barcelona, 1993

Reunión científica del Grupo de Trabajo sobré Geología y Metalogenia de Depósitos Hidrotermales Submarinos, Madrid, 1993

Simposio sobre recursos naturales y medio ambiente en el SE Peninsular, Almería, Spain, 1994

Colloque international mineralogíe fondamentale et appliquée a la memoire de Claude Guillemin (1923-1994), Paris, 1995

International Convention of Prospectors and Developers, Toronto, 1996

Sulfuros polimetálicos de la Faja Pirítica Ibérica, Huelva, Spain, 1996

Manuel Carlos Serrano Pinto (Portugal)

Academic degrees

Agregação, University of Aveiro (Portugal)

Ph.D., University of Leeds (United Kingdom)

M.Sc., (Geochemistry), University of Leeds (United Kingdom)

Licenciatura (Geological sciences), University of Coimbra (Portugal)

Academic positions held at the University of Aveiro

Present

Full Professor

Member of the Scientific Council

M.Sc. course in Geochemistry

Chairman, History and Philosophy of Science and Technology Group

Past

Associate Professor, Auxiliary Professor, *Assistente*

Member of the Senate and of the Assembly

President of the Scientific Council

Head of the Department of Geosciences

Head of the Central Analytical Laboratory

Head of the Isotope Geology Laboratory

Other academic positions

Present

Visiting Professor, University of São Paulo

Past

Assistente, University of Lourenço Marques, Mozambique

Other

Member of the Public Relations and Finance Committee, International Union of Geological Sciences global geochemical baselines project, 1996/1997

Member, International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme global change and terrestrial ecosystems project

Member of the scientific committees of the Second International Symposium on Environmental Geochemistry in Tropical Countries, 1997, and of the Second Iberian Congress of Geochemistry 1999

Member of the organizing committees of international congresses on geochemistry of the Portuguese-speaking countries, 1991 through 1999

Geologist, Portuguese Overseas Geological Surveys (Mozambique and Angola), 1963/1974

Research interests and activities

Mineral resources

Survey of resources: Mozambique

Prospecting: Mozambique, Angola, Portugal

Metalogenesis: Portugal, Mozambique

Environmental impact of mineral industry activities: Portugal

Applied geochemistry

Multipurpose geochemical mapping: Portugal, Brazil, Mozambique

Environmental impact of landfills: Portugal, Brazil

Geology/geochronology

Geological mapping: Portugal, Mozambique

Geochronology of Portuguese rocks

Geological correlation: Brazil/Africa (Mozambique)

History of geology and mining

Scientific interchange Portugal/Brazil in the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries

Teaching: supervision of postgraduates

Supervision of several Ph.D. and M.Sc. students

Teaching duties in several science (geology) and engineering (environment) courses

Memberships

Member of 19 scientific societies (geology, geochemistry, geostatistics, mineralogy, environment, history of science)

Member of two professional societies

Papers etc.

Author/co-author of 99 published papers/oral presentations/posters

Author/co-author of two chapters in a scientific book published in Spain

Fourteen public talks in Portugal, Spain, the Netherlands, Mozambique and Angola

Eighteen unpublished technical reports (Mozambique)

Scientific work on general geology translated in collaboration (published in Portugal)

Scientific work on applied geochemistry, translated and awaiting publication

Carlos G. Tomboc (Philippines)

Education

University of the Philippines, B.S. in Forestry, 1996-1970

University of the Philippines, M.P.A., 1972-1973

University of the Philippines, M.S. in Forestry, 1974-1976 (Dean's List)

University of the Philippines, Ph.D. in Forestry (Forestry resources management) 1980-1987 (Chancellor's List)

Service record

Acting General Manager, Laguna Lake Development Authority, Department of Environmental and Natural Resources, March 1998 to present; administers the development, regulatory and research programmes of the Authority on a basin-wide approach, including multisectoral and multi-agency strategies (the basin covers nine cities and 60 municipalities)

Director, Environmental Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, January 1995 to March 1996; supervised and administered the policy, research, development and regulatory activities of the Department on air, water and land pollution, toxic and hazardous industrial substances, environmental activities of the 14 regional offices of the Department through the Office of the Secretary

Consultant, FAO Forestry Project III; a World Bank and Swiss Government-assisted project of the Government of Bhutan, 1 September to 27 December 1994

Regional Executive Director, National Capital Region (Metropolitan Manila), Department of Environment and Natural Resources, 1 March to 31 August 1994; administered all activities of the Department of Metro-Manila, which covers land management, urban forestry, pollution mitigation and environmental management, protected areas, mines and geosciences, and research

Director, National Research Programs and Special Assistant to the Undersecretary for Environment and Research, 15 January 1993 to 28 February 1994; coordinated the research and development programme of the Department, including forestry concerns, mines, geosciences, environment, protected areas, wildlife and land management and also assisted the Undersecretary for Environment and Research in technical and administrative activities

Director, Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau, 7 May 1989 to 25 January 1993; supervised and administered the research and development and support activities of the Bureau with the following ecosystems concerns: (a) forest; (b) upland farms; (c) grasslands and degraded areas; (d) coastal zone and freshwater. The Bureau also coordinated the research and development programmes of the 14 research services in the regional offices of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Eighteen years of experience in field operations under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources as an administrator, research manager and implementor

Published 22 technical and semi-technical articles on forestry production and management and environmental protection and mitigation; also wrote some articles on watershed management and water production

International and national technical activities

Chairman, UNDP-FAO Regional Advisory Committee on Tree Breeding and Micropropagation, Asia and Pacific Region, December 1991 to January 1993

Philippine Coordinator, Southern Methodist University project on agroforestry, 1991-1996

Philippine focal person, Asia and Pacific Agroforestry Network, Japan and FAO-assisted project, 1990-1993

National focal officer, Philippine Tree Breeding and Propagation Project, 1991-1993

Philippine adviser, Regional Research Institute for Asia and the Pacific Basin, Nihon University, Japan, 1991-1994

Philippine representative, IUFRO International Council, 1990-1994

Chairman, Working Committee, Metropolitan Environmental Industrial Project, 1995

Presiding Officer, Pollution Adjudication Board, 1993

Co-Chairman, Subcommittee on Atmosphere, 1995

Important international training/meetings/conferences/seminars/workshops attended

Seminar on research policy for community forestry, Ford Foundation, Bangkok, 8-11 January 1990

UNDP-FAO symposium on improved productivity of man-made forest through application of technological advances on tree breeding and micro-propagation, Chairman of symposium, Bangkok, 10-14 July 1990.

Fourth International Bamboo Congress, Chairman of technical session, Chiang Mai, Thailand, 25 November to 8 December 1991

Senior officials meeting on environment, resource person, ESCAP, Bangkok, July 1992

Country adviser's meeting, Philippine adviser, Nihon University, Tokyo, October 1992

UNEP consultative workshop on marine pollution from land-based activities, sole Philippine participant, Reykjavik, March 1995

Senior officials and ministerial meeting on transboundary pollution, head of delegation, Kuala Lumpur, 14-18 June 1995

APEC symposium on environmental technology cooperation, speaker and panellist, Nagoya, Japan, 26-27 October 1995

Preparatory and seventh meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, Chairman of the Group of 77 and China during the preparatory meeting and Co-Chairman of the "Friends of the Chairman", Vienna, 28 November-7 December 1995

UNDP senior officials training on leadership in developing countries, participant, John F. Kennedy School of Government and Harvard Institute for International Development, Harvard University, June 1997

Study mission on watershed and water resources management, California, Washington and Louisiana, 14-30 June 1997

Expert group meeting on strategic approaches to freshwater management, participant, Harare, 27-30 January 1998

Owen MacDonald Kankhulungo (Malawi)

Position

Controller of Water Services, Ministry of Water Development

Work experience

January 1993 to September 1996: Deputy Controller of Water Services (Water Supply), responsible for planning, development operation and maintenance of rural and urban water supply schemes and sewerage systems under the responsibility of the Ministry of Works in Water Department headquarters, Lilongwe; part of the executive of the Ministry contributing directly to its policies

1988-1990: Acting regional Controller of Works, responsible for overall management of Ministry of Works activities

1983-1986: Regional Water Engineer, responsible for all planning, design and construction of in-house water projects in northern region of Malawi

1984: Design and supervision of Chilumba Semi-Urban Centre and Army garrison water distribution system

1984-1985: Ekwendeni Water Project, in-house design and supervision

1984: Lilongwe Water Supply Augmentation Project, Resident Engineer Representative

1980-1983: Assistant quantity surveyor

Education

M.Sc., Water and Waste Engineering, Loughborough University of Technology, United Kingdom

Bachelor of Science, Engineering, specializing in civil engineering, Malawi Polytechnic, 1983

Diploma in Engineering, specializing in civil engineering, Malawi Polytechnic, 1977

Other experience

Water Utilities Board member, representing the Secretary for Water Development, advising on technical and financial matters

Water Utilities Board member, representing the Malawi Board of Engineers

Water Resources Board member, representing the Water Supply Branch of the Water Department on the Water Resources Board and other joint committees charged with the responsibility of controlling the abstraction of water and discharge of effluent into watercourses

Council member for eastern and southern African region, International Water Services Association

Publications

"A case study on river intake design: Ekwendeni", Loughborough University, United Kingdom, 1986

Hendrik Martinus Oudshoorn (Netherlands)

Present position

Retired from active service: freelance adviser on water resources and water management issues

Last positions

Chief Engineer, Director of Rijkswaterstaat, and Professor of Infrastructure Planning, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Delft University of Technology

Work experience

1955-1957	Hydrographic Office, Royal Netherlands Navy, tidal expert
1957	*Rijkswaterstatt*, Ministry of Transport and Public Works, Hydraulic Division, Research Engineer
1958	Resident Engineer, Northumberland Strait Causeway study, Canada
1958-1968	*Rijkswaterstaat*, Hydraulic Division, Head of tidal rivers and harbours section
1969-1971	*Rijkswaterstaat*, Adjunct to the Director of the Delta Service
1970-1971	*Rijkswaterstaat*, Deputy Director, Directorate for Water Management and Hydraulic Research
1970-1985	*Rijkswaterstatt*, Director, Directorate for Water Management and Hydraulic Research
1985-1987	*Rijkswaterstaat*, Director of Navigable Rivers and Harbours Department, Director General's Office
1987-1991	*Rijkswaterstaat*, Adviser for water policy issues, Director General's Office
1989-1991	Delft University of Technology, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Professor of Infrastructure Planning
1991	Retired from active service; freelance adviser

Other experience

1975-1984	Member, Council for Oceanographic Research
1991-1994	Member, Advisory Council to the Ministers of Education and Sciences and the Minister of Transport, Public Works and Water Management on Sea Research
1994-present	Member, programme advisory committee for technical and medical sciences for scientific cooperation between the Netherlands and Indonesia

Intergovernmental consultations

United Nations Water Conference, Mar Del Plata, 1977, deputy delegation leader, Netherlands delegation

United Nations Conference on international river commissions, Dakar, 1981, Observer for the International Rhine Commission

UNDP symposium, "A strategy for water sector capacity-building", Delft, 1991, keynote speaker and workshop Chairman

International Conference on Water and the Environment, Dublin, 1992, leader of the Netherlands delegation

UNDP international workshop on flood mitigation, emergency preparedness, and flood disaster management in Viet Nam, Hanoi, 1992

ECA/WHO conference on the theme "Water resources: policy and assessment", Addis Ababa, 1995, observer, Committee on Natural Resources, member/expert 1992-1998

Habitat II, dialogue III, "Water for thirsty cities", Chairman, technical session, 1996

ESCAP, Seminar on the establishment of guidelines on water and sustainable development, 1996, Rapporteur.

Eddy Kofi Smith (Ghana)

Educational background

University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana, 1971-1974, BA (Social Sciences) Economics and geography

Work experience

Ministry of Lands and Forestry, Accra

1993 to date: Technical Director, Timber and Forestry

June 1996: Project Director, Forest Sector Development Project

1993 to present: Project Director, Forest Resource Management Project

1993: National Project Director, Forestry Planning Project

Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources, Accra

1992: Special Assistant, Timber Schedule

Divestiture Implementation Committee secretariat, Accra

1990-1992: Director, Operations

State Committee for Economic Cooperation, Accra

1989: Director, Operations, and Head of Technical Directorate

Officer of Ghana Timber Marketing Board, Timber Export Development Board, Takoradi, Ghana

1975-1988: Marketing manager

National Service

1975: Teacher, economics and geography, Dunkwa-on-Offin, Ghana

Commissions/committees/board of directors, etc.

Member, Forestry Commission, Ghana, 1994 to date

Member, Management Board, Forest Research Institute of Ghana, 1994 to date

Director, SCANSTYLE MIM Limited (furniture manufacturing and export company, 1994 to date)

Member, Panel of experts on formulating an approach and methodology for estimating resources and costs incurred to achieve ITTO's Year 2000 objective, International Tropical Timber Organization, Yokohama, Japan, September 1995

Member, National Agricultural Research Policy Coordinating Committee, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, 1996

Published papers

Evolution of the Ghana timber industry, paper presented at a conference on the promotion of investments in the forest industry of Africa, Paris, November 1993

Forestry as a land-use issue in Ghana, paper presented at an international seminar on forest land use conflicts and solutions, Kumasi, Ghana, January 1994

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Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The Secretary-General has received from the Syrian Arab Republic another nomination for election to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. The person nominated for election is Mr. Sami Glaiel.

2. Biographical information concerning Mr. Glaiel is annexed hereto.

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Annex

Biographical information on Sami Glaiel

Born in 1941, in Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic;

Primary and secondary education in Damascus and Lebanon;

University studies at the Universities of Damascus and Warsaw;

Holder of a graduate degree in French literature, a diploma in journalism and a doctorate in political science;

Appointed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1974;

From 1975 to 1981 served as First Secretary to the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations in New York. As part of his functions he held office as Rapporteur of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Special Committee on Decolonization), and had participated in several United Nations missions;

Has represented his country in the First, Third and Fourth Committees of the General Assembly, as well as at sessions of the Economic and Social Council, and in the Committee on Information, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and the Special Committee against Apartheid;

From 1981 to 1984 served as Deputy Director of the International Organizations Department, later as Director of the Department for the Americas in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

From 1984 to 1987 served as Minister Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic in New York, with responsibilities covering the problem of the Middle East, the question of Palestine and special political and Security Council affairs;

In December 1987 was appointed Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations in Geneva and Vienna;

During this period, he participated very actively in the work of the Commission on Human Rights;

At the second regular session of the Economic and Social Council in 1988 was elected a member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

From 1990 to 1994 served as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Venezuela, accredited to the Governments of the Republic of Colombia, Jamaica, the Republic of Haiti, the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and other Caribbean islands;

Since 1994, has been, successively, Director of the Africa Department and Director of the Economic Department in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a post he still holds;

For many years has been a member of Syrian delegations and has represented his country at various conferences, including the following:

(a) Conference of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Non-Aligned Countries, Lima (Peru), 1975;

(b) First special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations devoted to disarmament, 1978.

(c) International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia, Maputo (Mozambique), 1977, at which he also represented the Special Committee on Decolonization and the Special Committee against Apartheid;

(d) Summit Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, New Delhi, 1981;

(e) United Nations Seminar on the Question of Palestine, Geneva, 1982;

(f) Proceedings of the Commission on Human Rights and of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

Head of the Syrian delegation to the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development, New York, 1987;

Has accompanied the Minister for Foreign Affairs on a number of visits abroad

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Nomination of three members of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The Secretary-General has received from Togo further nomination to the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women. The individual whose candidacy is proposed is Ms. Aminata Ayeva-Traoré.

2. Her curriculum vitae is attached.

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Annex

Curriculum vitae of Aminata Ayeva-Traoré (Togo)

Adviser to the Ministry of Social Welfare, National Solidarity and Human Rights; the Ministry of Labour, Employment, the Civil Service and Social Affairs; and the Ministry for the Advancement of Women and Social Protection. Author of numerous reports and publications on poverty eradication, the social integration of women, good governance, women's education for emancipation and women's rights and quality of life.

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Election of nine members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1996/222, the Secretary-General has received from the Government of Mexico an additional nomination for election to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. The name of the nominee is Mr. Javier Wimer Zambrano.

2. Biographical information on the candidate is contained in the annex below.

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Annex

Biographical information on Javier Wimer Zambrano (Mexico)

Educational background

University Degree in Law, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, 1952-1956.

Ph.D. studies in Public Law and Political Science, University of Paris, France, 1956-1957.

Official posts

Adviser to the President of Mexico, 1959-1964.

Adviser to the President of Mexico, 1970-1976.

Adviser to the President of Mexico, 1984-present.

Undersecretary of the Interior, 1982-1984.

General Director of the National Commission established for the elaboration and free distribution of official textbooks used in public elementary schools, since 1984.

Director General of Archives, Library and Publications, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1979-1981.

General Coordinator of Audio-Visual Broadcasting, Ministry of Education, 1976-1978.

General Director of the National Council for the Culture and Leisure of Workers, 1974-1976.

Adviser to the Minister of Education, 1978-1981.

Director of the Multinational Technology Education Project.

Special Ambassador of Mexico to the USSR and Poland, 1980.

Ambassador to Yugoslavia, 1981-1983.

Cultural Attaché to the Mexican Embassy in Costa Rica, 1966-1968.

Cultural Attaché to the Mexican Embassy in Argentina and Uruguay, 1968-1970.

Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of the United Nations, 1987-present.

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Election to the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1996/222, the Secretary-General has received from the Government of Zimbabwe the following nomination for election to the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development: Johannes Tonderayi Chigwada.

2. The term of office would begin on the date of election. Biographical information on the candidate is set out in the annex below.

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Annex

Biographical information on Johannes Tonderayi Chigwada (Zimbabwe)

May 1986	Senior Research Officer in the Woodfuels Unit of the Research and Development Section, Ministry of Energy and Water Resources and Development
	Responsibilities included involvement in the UNDP/World Bank project, Energy for Rural and Low-income Urban Households and for Rural Development, which aims at the formulation of an integrated energy strategy; serving as a member of the specialized subcommittee on woodfuel and new and renewable sources of energy and as a national team leader for UNEP National Greenhouse Costing Studies project.
1 September 1991 to 6 September 1992	Acting Assistant Director, Research and Development Section
	Responsibilities included managing and directing the implementation, dissemination, demonstration, monitoring and evaluation of renewable energy technologies and research; directing and managing the formulation of energy-related projects.
7 September 1992	Assistant Director, Research and Development Section
May 1994	Appointed Vice Secretary-General of the Zimbabwe Organizing Committee for the World Solar Summit. Spearheaded the development of the Zimbabwe Solar Programme, 1996-2005, and assisted in the mobilization of funds for its implementation. Was head of the team that had to devise a rural energy strategy in order to energize the rural areas of Zimbabwe.